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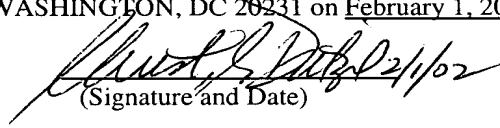
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REQUEST FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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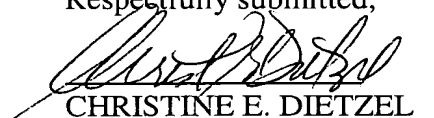
Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the period for responding to the Office Action, now set to expire on September 1, 2001, be extended by five (5) months, so as to expire on February 1, 2002.

As Applicant is associated with a small entity, a check in the amount of \$1,960.00 is enclosed to cover the five-month extension herein requested. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any deficiencies or to credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 11-1153, and accordingly, this Request is submitted in duplicate.

Favorable action on this Request for Extension of Time is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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